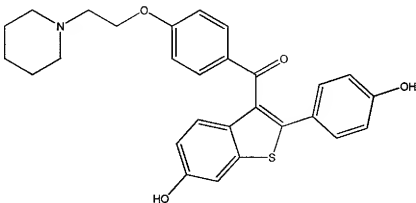


AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 64 and 78; and cancel claims 1, 4-9, 11-12, 15-20, 22, 57-62, 71-76, and 85-88 (claims 2-3, 13-14, 24, 26-28, 30, 32-56, 65-66, 69-70, 79-80 and 83-84 were previously been canceled).

Claims 1- 22 (Canceled).

23. (Previously Presented) A method of inhibiting tumor growth of androgen-independent prostate cancer in a mammal in need thereof, the method comprising administering to the mammal an effective amount of a compound having the formula



or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein the compound is administered in an effective amount of about 180 mg to about 300 mg per day.

Claims 24 (Canceled).

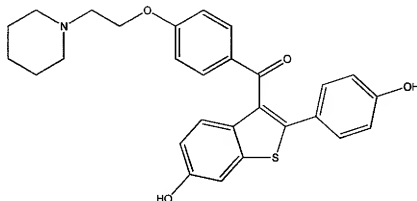
25. (Original) The method of claim 23, further comprising administering to the mammal an estrogen lowering drug in an amount effective to lower the serum level of estradiol in the mammal.

Claims 26-62 (Canceled).

63. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the compound is administered in an effective amount of about 180 mg per day.
64. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 25, wherein the estrogen lowering drug is administered in an amount effective to lower the serum level of estradiol in the mammal to an amount no greater than about 30 pg/ml.

Claims 65-76 (Canceled).

77. (Previously Presented) A method of inhibiting tumor growth of androgen-independent prostate cancer in a mammal in need thereof, the method comprising
administering to the mammal an effective amount of a compound having the formula



or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof; and

administering to the mammal an estrogen lowering drug in an amount effective to lower the serum level of estradiol in the mammal.

78. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 77, wherein the estrogen lowering drug is administered in an amount effective to lower the serum level of estradiol in the mammal to an amount no greater than about 30 pg/ml.

Claims 79-88 (Canceled).